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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) by Express Mail is the incomplete patent application of Hamish Alexander Nigel Kennedy, entitled PRODUCT TRACKING DURING GRADING.

- X 1. This application is a continuation of prior Application No. 10/027,344, filed December 20, 2001, priority from the filing date of which is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120.
- X 2. A copy of the petition for a three-month extension of time to extend pendency of the prior application to at least the filing date of this application is enclosed.
- X 3. An application consisting of 11 pages of specification, including the claims and the Abstract of the Disclosure, and 4 sheets of drawings is attached.
- X 4. A copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney filed in the above-noted prior application is attached. [Note: This application is a continuation or divisional, no new matter has been added to this application, and no new inventors have been named.]
- X 5. Priority of Application No. 509104, filed in New Zealand on December 21, 2000, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy of the priority document was filed in the above-noted prior application.
- X 6. Small entity status is asserted for this matter.
- X 7. No fee is enclosed.
- X 8. A filing date in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 is requested. The Express Mail Certificate appears below.

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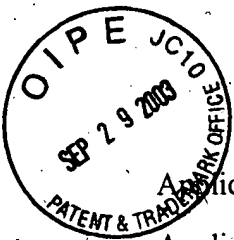
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Applicant respectfully requests that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action, dated March 27, 2003, set to expire on June 27, 2003, be extended by three months to expire on September 29, 2003.

Enclosed is our check No. 151135 in the amount of \$465.00 (three months).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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